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- The Tagil-Stroi Combine, which is being constructed, is located between the main railroad station and marshalling yard on one side and the tank plant of NIKHNI TAGIL (59°58' E/57°56' N), Sverdlovsk Oblast on the other.

The factory area, 4x3.2 miles, consists of several detached plants whose construction was partly begun before the war. The older section of the combine in the southwest part of the area has some blast furnaces, a coking gas and a refining plant (including a tar plant). Adjacent to it was the Bessemer plant; and, farthest to the north, the foundry and rolling mill. When the PWs arrived in the fall of 1945, the older plants were in full operation and the other installations under construction. The rolling mill especially was scheduled to have considerable dimensions. Its frame work was completed in the spring of 1948. There was a spur track to each individual plant department. The northeast section of the plant area was not yet built up. The tank plant was located about two miles from the plant area.

20,000 to 25,000 Soviet convicts were assigned to the construction work (estimate of the PWs). For installations see Annex.

a. Although the date of contents of this report is one year older than another report, it is being forwarded as its sketch reveals that many industrial plants are under construction in the area between the main railroad station and the tank plant. The existence of the iron and steel plant and the coking plant has been known since before the war. It is presumably correct that all the plants located in this area form a combine.

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b. The attached sketch confirms previous information. The existence of a previously reported last railroad station northwest of the combine is confirmed. This station was not entered on the available town maps. It may be assumed that this is a freight station constructed in connection with the expansion of the combine.

c. The data on the distribution of the individual plant department partly contradicts the concordant statements made by two other sources. + It is assumed that source of the present report did not have a clear picture of the plant installations. The number of the construction workers also seems to be exaggerated.

d. More recent reports are needed to obtain a clear picture of the setup of this industrial combine. It has been reported that the completion of the expansion work is not scheduled before 1950. Due to the variety of the installations and the diversified production, expert reports are required for a definite picture of this important combine.

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1 Annex: Metal Combine in RIZHNI TAGIL

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